

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

WILLIAM M. SCOTT ET AL

Serial No.: **09/539,874**

Filed : **March 31, 2000**

For : **DEVICE FOR DISPENSING SUBSTANCE FROM A CARTRIDGE**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Attorney for applicant has attached a copy of page 29, bearing claims 24-30. The new page should be inserted into the text of the application between pages 28 and 30.

Claims 24-30 are fully supported by the specification and drawings as originally filed on March 31, 2000.

The filing fee for claims 24-30 was submitted at the time of filing, for the filing fee indicates payment for a total of 39 claims. Since claims 24-30 were apparently missing at the time of filing, the submission of page 29, at this time, should not necessitate the incurrence of any fee.

In the unlikely event that any fees fall due and owing, such fees should be charged against Deposit Account 08-2455.

Prompt and complete action on the formal, and substantive, merits of the application, including claims 1-39, is believed to be in order.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosure

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